

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS – PLYMOUTH DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY



TIMOTHY J. CRUZ
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

MAIN OFFICE:
32 Belmont Street
P.O. BOX 1665
Brockton, MA 02303-1665
Tel: (508) 584-8120
Fax: (508) 586-3578

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release
February 15, 2011

Contact: ADA Bridget Norton Middleton
508-584-8120

Results of Autopsies announced

BROCKTON, MA- Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz today announced the autopsies results in the deaths of Maria Avelina Palaguachi-Cela (DOB: 11-5-85) and her son, Brian Palaguachi (DOB: 3-17-08).

The Medical Examiner has determined that the cause of Maria Avelina Palaguachi-Cela's death was blunt force trauma to the brain and head and the manner of her death was homicide. The Medical Examiner has determined that the cause of Brian Palaguachi's death was blunt force trauma to the brain and head and the manner of his death was homicide.

The case remains under investigation by the State Police Detectives assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and Brockton Police Detectives. Investigators are urging anyone with information to contact them at (508)941-0234.

No further information is being released at this time.

#####